

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER
COATESVILLE, PA 19320

OPENING DATE: 04/21/2010	POSITION <u>TITLE 38 PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITY</u> RN – CHARGE NURSE Homeless Domiciliary Patient Care Services - Mental Health VN-0610-N1/N3: \$56,257PA to \$96,657PA	ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER MPA #95 FY’10
CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled		

- PLEASE NOTE:**
- The grade and salary will be based on a recommendation by the Professional Standards Board and approved by the Medical Center Director.
 - Applicants will be required to complete electronic credentialing through Vet Pro.
 - Applicants must be a citizen of the United States and must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38 U.S.C. 7402(d), 7407(d).
 - Applicant must meet the physical requirements of the position (See VA Directive and Handbook 5019).

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: US Citizens

DUTIES: The Charge Nurse is directly responsible to the Unit Manager for *all* administrative as well as clinical nursing services of the patient care unit for their specific tour of duty. The incumbent will be responsible for the delivery of quality patient care and nursing services for the culturally diverse male and female residents of a 40 bed Residential Rehabilitation and Treatment Program for homeless veterans. Responsibilities include but are not limited to the provision of direct patient care, supervision of the unit's self-medication program; participation in an interdisciplinary treatment planning process; and effective utilization of program resources. The registered nurse possesses the knowledge and skills to apply all aspects of the nursing process within a collaborative interdisciplinary practice setting.

TOUR OF DUTY: Primarily Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. May be required to rotate shifts and days off.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be U.S. citizens; proficient in written/spoken English as required by 38 USC 7402; must possess a current, active, unrestricted registered nurse State license, and must be a graduate of a school of professional nursing approved by the NLN (National League of Nursing). Applicants must also meet the physical standards for appointment. **ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE PREFERRED:** Minimum of 3-5 years of related clinical experience and BSN; MSN or BSN and Masters Degree in a related allied health field preferred. Experience with addictions, SMI, homeless patients and PTSD.

APPLICANTS PLEASE NOTE: Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications (particularly positions with a positive education requirement). Therefore, applicants must report only attendance and/or degrees from schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Applicants can verify accreditation at the following website: <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/index.html>. All education claimed by applicants will be verified by the appointing agency accordingly.

- HOW TO APPLY:** **Internal applicants:**
- Submit a memorandum referencing this announcement to Nina Yentzer, Nursing Support (118) that outlines professional RN experience/accomplishments and education.

- External Applicants must submit:**
- VA Form 10-2850a, Application for Nurses and Nurse Anesthetists
 - OF 306, Declaration for Federal Employment
 - Complete resume
 - Copy of Transcripts (Official transcripts required if selected)
 - Verification of current, active RN State licensure
 - Veterans must submit form DD-214 (Certificate of Discharge); 10 point preference eligible veterans should complete and attach form SF-15 (Application for 10 Point Veterans Preference) along with a letter (dated within the last 12 months) from the Department of Veteran Affairs certifying percent of service-connected disability.

Applications can be mailed to: Coatesville VAMC
Attn: M. Musser (118)
1400 Blackhorse Hill Rd.
Coatesville, PA 19320

Or Faxed to: (610) 380-4376

DRUG TESTING DESIGNATED: In accordance with Executive Order 12564, applicants selected for this position are required to submit to a drug test and receive a negative drug test result prior to appointment. In addition, this position is a drug-testing designated position subject to random testing for illegal drug use.

REMARKS: Management reserves the right to fill this position by other means such as reassignment, transfer, demotion, or hiring from outside the station at any time it is felt that this will result in the recruitment of a better qualified candidate. Discriminatory factors such as sex, race, color, national origin, religion, lawful political or employee organization affiliation, age, marital status, or non-disqualifying handicap, are not considerations in evaluating the qualifications of an employee. This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis. If you have qualifying experience or education not shown in your personnel folder, you should submit a résumé claiming this additional qualifying experience or education.

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